Sri. E. John Philipose: The work is progressing at a very rapid pace and it is expected to be complete in a couple of months.

Sri. Eapen Arakal: Has the District Officer in the Station complete administrative powers over the foreman or the person who is in charge of the workshop?

Sri. E. John Philipose: It is a totally different question. But as far as the administrative powers of the District Officers are concerned, Government are considering their position now and are thinking of investing when with high powers.

Sri. Eapen Arakal: Do Government know that much inconvenience is caused on account of the fact that District Officers are not obeyed by their subordinates.

Mr. Speaker: Question disallowed.

ROADS IN ALLEPPEY

*459. [29] **Sri. Eapen Arakal:** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Works and Communications be pleased to state has any amount been sanctioned for tarring roads in the municipal town of Alleppey: if so what is the amount and what is the length of road proposed to be thus tarred?

Minister for Public Works, Communications and Agriculture **[Sri. E. John Philipose]:** Government have a programme of tarring certain portions of the Alleppey Municipality and Government hope to secure the co-operation of the municipality also in this matter. As such no specific amount has yet been sanctioned for the purpose.

Sri. Eapen Arakal: Am I to understand that without the co-operation of the municipality, road tarring in Alleppey is not going to take place?

Sri. E. John Philipose: That is a matter which Government has to decide yet.

Sri. Eapen Arakal: Will the Minister be pleased to remember that he once expressed on the floor of this House that the tarring work in Alleppey will begin in about two months.

Sri. E. John Philipose: That reference was made in connection with the commercial and canal roads. In respect of the main roads, Government have a programme of taking up sole responsibility of tarring 2½ miles of road on the west coast road. That matter is at precedent under the consideration of Government. It has now become part of the policy of the Central Government in respect of National Highways of India.

Sri. Eapen Arakal: Do the Government know that the mileage of roads tarred in Alleppey is very low compared with the other major towns of the State?

Sri. E. John Philipose: Government are fully aware of that.

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*൪൯൦. (൩൦) ശ്രീ. കെ. എ. മാത്യു: താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യങ്ങൾക്കു ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട പബ്ലിക്ക് വർക്സ് വകുപ്പു മന്ത്രി സദയം മറുപടി നൽകുമോ.—

(എ) തിരുവല്ലാതാലൂക്കിൽ കഴിഞ്ഞ വർഷം ഏർപ്പെടുത്തിയ പമ്പാവാലി ലിഫ്റ്റിറ്റ് ഇറിഗേഷൻ പദ്ധതി നിറുത്തുന്നതിനു് ആലോചനയുണ്ടോ;

(ബി) ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ അതിനുള്ള കാരണം എന്തു്?

മരാമത്തും ഗതാഗതവും കൃഷിയും വകുപ്പുമന്ത്രി (ശ്രീ. ഇ. ജാൺ ഫിലിപ്പോസ്):

(എ) ഇല്ല.

(ബി) എ യുടെ ഉത്തരത്തിൽനിന്നും ഈ ചോദ്യം ഉദിക്കുന്നില്ല.

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